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West Virginia's Republicanism.

Don't worry about West Virginia. She hasn't gone over to the Republican column, although her vote in the electoral college will be counted that way and her congressmen will all be Republicans. We will endeavor to find out a reason for that astonishing increase in the vote when we get the official returns.—Register.

How much majority must the Republicans carry West Virginia by before the Register will acknowledge that the state is Republican, and how many victories must they secure to impress a fact so apparent to all reasonable people on the mind of our irascible and vindictive neighbor?

For nearly twenty years past the Republicans have been steadily reducing the Democratic majority in West Virginia. As far back as 1880 the cutting down process began and in 1884 it was slashed to so low a figure that the Democratic breath was almost taken away. In 1888 it was wiped out on the state ticket and the Democratic electoral ticket was so nearly beaten that had Ohio county given the vote for Harrison that she did this year for McKinley, West Virginia would have given him her vote.

In 1892, a year of a Democratic landslide, when Republicans remained away from the polls, or voted the Democratic ticket, all over the country, and great Republican states went within an ace of going for Cleveland, the Democratic plurality was only a little more than 4,000 in West Virginia. In 1894 the fight was made on national issues squarely and West Virginia gave over 13,000 plurality for the Republican cause. This year, in another national contest, she gives more than 12,000 plurality for the same cause, and that, too, after one of the hardest fought battles ever waged in any state.

The fact of the matter is, West Virginia is legitimately and naturally a Republican state. All her material interests are dependent upon the economic policy of the Republican party. This has been apparent for a number of years and has been frankly admitted by conservative Democrats who have not been blinded by partisan prejudice. The only reason that she has not taken her place long ago in the Republican column has been the odds against which the party organization has had to fight, the whole election machinery of the state being in the hands of the rings which have controlled state affairs—a power which was used as unscrupulously at all times as it was in 1888, when the governor elected by the people was deprived of his seat and Wetzel county ballot box thefts and "two" infamies were rampant.

Now that, with the steady growth of the state, the coming of new industries, the development of the mineral resources, the building of railroads, &c., the majority has grown to such proportions, there is every indication that West Virginia has come back to the party whose cause she espoused from the time of her birth up to 1872.

The Increased Vote.

The Register's insinuation regarding the "astonishing increase of the vote" in this state is evidently thrown in to leave the impression that the vote is unnatural or illegitimate. The Register cannot show that. In every state voting this year, with two or three exceptions, the total vote cast was unprecedented. In some states the increase was as much as 100,000. Add to the natural increase by young men coming of age since 1892 the other great, but unusual factor—the thousands of votes of men who ordinarily do not go to the polls or take little interest in political campaigns, and you account for the increase.

The Register must have observed that in those states having registration laws the number of votes registered before the election was beyond all expectations. Never before were the people so aroused to the nation's danger and never before did they come nearer casting the total voting strength of the country.

In this state the conditions were the same as elsewhere and it was the arousing of this universal feeling among the people that caused an astonishingly large total vote in the entire country, giving McKinley the greatest popular majority ever received by a presidential candidate.

If the Register will get over its fit of bad temper and take a conservative view of the matter, it will be in a condition to note the significance of the election, and take the defeat of the free silver heresy in a more patriotic, if not a more manly, spirit.

Tom Watson's Vote.

The probability is that had Bryan been elected the decision as to who would have been Vice President would have rested in the senate, as by the terms of the fusion between the silver Democrats and Populists Tom Watson and Sewall would have divided honors, and neither would have had a majority of electoral votes. Even as it is, Watson will have twenty-one votes in the college—four from Louisiana, five from North Carolina, four from Nebraska, two from Washington, one from Utah,

one from Montana and four from Missouri. Had Bryan carried West Virginia our Democratic friends would have had the satisfaction of knowing that two of the six electoral votes would have gone to the Populist candidate for Vice President.

It is not likely that an agreement could have been arrived at among the Bryan electors in favor of either Sewall or Watson, as the Populists would not have voted for Sewall, at least very few of them, and the Democrats could not have surrendered Sewall for Watson. A deadlock would doubtless have resulted which would have made it necessary for the senate to choose a Vice President.

Concerning Sectionalism.

The organ of the late lamented Popocratic cause in this city, refers to the Intelligencer's expressed regret that the "Democrats" exhibited in the campaign so much sectionalism and asks: "Now what does the community think of this?"

Democrats did not exhibit sectionalism, if the Register will permit the correction. Democrats, those who stood by the time honored principles of Democracy, north and south, east and west, joined with the Republican party in the campaign for the honor of the whole country regardless of sectional or party lines, and what the community "thinks" of the fact that the Bryans and the Tillmans and the Altgelds attempted to array section against section and class against class may be read in the election returns. This should be a sufficient answer to the knocked-out Register's question.

But the Register goes on to speak of the Intelligencer as a "hide-bound Republican sheet which has been preaching the most infamous sectional doctrines for the past generation," and wants to know if this paper remembers the horrid bogey the "solid south." To all of which the Intelligencer replies that it does remember the solid south, but it is happy to say that, thanks to the patriotic sentiment of thousands of Democrats of the once solid south, it is solid no longer and sectional lines have been wiped out.

There is no solid south, no solid north nor no solid any other section arrayed against another. The recent election demonstrated that, and the people of America have forever demonstrated that the party or the political leader starts out on the assumption that there is "an enemy's country" within the bounds of the United States, as Mr. Bryan did, shall have their emphatic condemnation; that the men who arise in a national party convention, and, speaking as one with authority to speak for his cause, announces that a question affecting the welfare of the whole people is "a sectional question," as Tillman did, not only deserves the hisses he received from the galleries, but the everlasting contempt of the country.

Yes, the Intelligencer remembers the "bogey of the solid south," which, thanks to the Ruler of all nations, is solid no longer, and it points with no little pride to the humble part it has borne in the work of rendering it impossible for demagogic partisans of the Popocratic cause to any longer point to the states south of an imaginary line and boast that so many commonwealths may be depended upon in advance, by reason of a carefully cultivated sectional hate or prejudice, to vote "solidly" for any fad, ism or heresy that may be offered them in the name of the Democracy.

The people of the once solid south have placed the seal of their disapproval on that un-American boast and there is no longer a sectional line. If the Intelligencer has in the past condemned the idea of a solid south was it not because it condemned sectionalism and the continuance of an unfortunate strife between sections, why should it all these years have been laboring to wipe out these lines, and welcoming into the ranks every man who wore the gray and joined for the restoration of the universal brotherhood of all American citizens, which has now come to pass, in spite of the recent efforts of the Popocratic politicians to prevent it by appeals to sectional and class prejudice?

After the Register has recovered from the shock it received about the third day of the present month, perhaps it will realize that it is always good policy to accept defeat gracefully. To show a vindictive spirit isn't a sign of courage.

A Significant Showing.

The population of the states that went for sound money and protection is 43,650,776, while that of the states that went for free silver and free trade is only 19,971,974. The assessed value of property in the sound money states is twenty-one thousand millions of dollars, while that of the free silver states is only four and a half thousand millions.

In the industries in the sound money states there were in 1890, 4,000,000 men employed, while in the states that voted for free silver there were only 683,562 workmen. The wages received in the sound money states amounted to two thousand millions of dollars, while the amount of wages in the states that voted for Bryan was less than three hundred millions.

The percentage of the population unable to read and write in the states voting for McKinley is only three and seven-tenths, while the number of illiterates in the states voting for Bryan is FOURTEEN AND EIGHT-TENTHS per cent of the population. These figures are taken from the United States census and tell an eloquent story.

The esteemed Popocratic Register is taking the result of the election very hard and in very bad temper. It has not yet accepted defeat in the spirit which most of its Bryan contemporaries have shown and which Mr. Bryan himself has exhibited. The Register, in fact, continues to display a venom that is quite up to the standard of that which it showed during the campaign.

The meeting of the Ohio Valley Improvement Association at Pittsburgh, is one of great importance to the Ohio valley and to West Virginia. A splendid beginning in the great work has been made during the past year and there is every reason to hope for the future. What is yet to be accomplished will be of incalculable benefit to the commercial and industrial interests of this great region.

It begins to look like some bloody scenes are ahead in Cuba. The supreme effort to be made by Spain to bring matters to a crisis means a series of all the

butcheries and cruelties of which Weyler is capable and, if the announced programme is carried out, it means that the people who are struggling for liberty in the little island will be either subjected or victorious within a few months.

The Venezuelan question is to be settled by arbitration at last. That is better than to settle it with bloodshed and the United States has scored a great point in diplomacy, for it has acted the part of the peace-maker.

FREAK ELECTION BETS

That are Being Paid in Chicago—A Few Samples.

Chicago Record: John Avril and Stephen Wynnot are in bed; John Murray has a number of broken ribs; a warrant is out for the arrest of John Kinny and a negro named Luther is locked up, as a result of an election bet in the stockyards district. Shortly before election John Avril and Stephen Wynnot wagered Low Frost and Albert Kempt that McKinley would be elected, it being agreed that the losers were to haul the winners in two carts from Forty-third and Halsted streets to State street and return.

Saturday afternoon the losers were on hand to carry out their portion of the contract. Albert Kempt drew the first cart, in which was seated Stephen Wynnot, wearing a golden cape and cap, and closely followed by the second vehicle. A small crowd followed the cavalcade, and snowballs were thrown at the occupants of the carts.

As the procession advanced the handful of people swelled to a howling, howling mob of about six hundred, and cobblestones and brick-bats were substituted for snowballs. Several women joined the crowd and hurled filth at the occupants of the carts.

Wynnot was struck by at least a dozen of the missiles. The cart in which he was seated was twice overturned, the second time being near Wentworth avenue, where he was struck in the side of the head by a stone, from the effects of which his hearing is impaired.

John Avril fared no better. He was taken from the cart, knocked down, kicked, and finally received a blow from a brick, which almost tore his eye from its socket. He was carried away by friends. Mr. Wynnot saw it would be useless to attempt leaving the cart. The crowd was so dense that to move would be impossible. They were all crying for vengeance on the wearer of the golden cape and cap.

Just then John Murray attempted to clear a path for Wynnot, and the mob turned its attention to him. He was knocked down, had three ribs broken, was badly cut about the head and sustained internal injuries. He is at his home in a serious condition.

A riot alarm was turned in. A wagon from the Halsted street police station responded, but before it arrived the rioters had fled.

A number of other eccentric election bets were paid Saturday and yesterday. Such bets are not attending consequences. J. H. Tompkins, a clerk in a downtown store, paraded State street, from Randolph to Twelfth, attired in ordinary street clothes, over which he wore a linen duster. On his head was a straw hat and on his chest and back placards reading: "I voted for Altgeld." If Mr. Altgeld had been elected instead of Mr. Tanner, Bert Wade, a fellow-clerk of Tompkins, would have worn the same attire.

William Boas hauled Nathan Frank through downtown streets on a four-wheeled wagon, upon which was a doghouse box decorated with flags. Boas carried a placard: "Yes, I voted for William J. Bryan."

John Wolf, a saloon-keeper, shaved off half his mustache in obedience to the command of Justice Schulte of the Englewood police station. The Justice was a candidate Tanner would defeat Altgeld November 3, but Wolf had other opinions.

August Dreyer, who owns the building and saloon at 2525 Halsted street, ground a hand-organ for three hours yesterday in front of his place of business. He had wagered Fred Ebert, of 2525 Halsted street, that Governor Altgeld would beat Major McKinley in Illinois, and was paying for his opinion.

A small band had been provided by Mr. Ebert which served the double purpose of accompanying Mr. Dreyer and drawing a crowd. Some \$12 was collected in pennies from the crowd, which will be turned over to a charitable institution. Mr. Dreyer was arrayed in a beaver overcoat and a silk hat, and wore about his neck a wreath of roses. Charles Manning won \$30 on the election and yet is \$400. Mr. Manning lives in Fifty-third street, near State, and the night before election found himself in North Clark street, near Lincoln park.

He wandered into a saloon and in his exuberance of spirit wagered \$50 with the proprietor that McKinley would be elected. The money was posted and Manning departed. Early election morning he arrived home in a cab. McKinley was elected and Manning has put in the time since trying to discover the location of the saloon in which he made his bet.

William Hunnington rode a small but well-placed donkey through the downtown streets yesterday. The donkey's ears were draped with large bows of white ribbon, and on its head was tied a huge dollar cap; over its haunches was thrown a white cloth, on one side of which was painted: "I voted for Bryan," on the other "What an ass I am!" Hunnington had pinned to his back a placard stating that he bet on Altgeld.

J. Z. Allen won a bet by which Thomas Dowling had to trundle him in a wheelbarrow from Jackson and Clinton streets to Harrison street and Ashland boulevard and return.

AIDS TO DIGESTION.

Mrs. Benham—"Where shall we sit in church next year?" Benham—"I don't care; I'm getting so I can sleep anywhere."—New York Journal.

"And why," inquired Aenas, casually, "did you emigrate?"

Dido, the queen of Carthage, troubled him for the decenter before replying.

"Well," she answered, after having poured out about four fingers, "the truth was, our Tyre was somewhat punctured, don't you know."

Which in his way was thought as rare a jest as that to the effect that Tros Tyrinus mibi millo bicerline apetur.—Larks.

He has learned the part of Hamlet, but the manager declared that his talents were for other roles, whence he could not be spared; and this is why he gave it up, despite his ambition's throbs.

"To play in 'Julius Cæsar' as the leader of the mob,"—Washington Star.

Mr. Figg—"I see that a priest in St. Louis made the members of his congregation deposit all their motto buttons on the altar before he would go on with the service."

Tommy—"I guess he was making a collection."—Indianapolis Journal.

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The following telegram was sent from Atlanta to an interior Georgia town: "Look out for incendiary. Six feet high; wear on left cheek bump in left leg." Pretty soon the following telegram came in reply: "We've got a man what says he burnt a house down, but that ain't his name what you said!"—Atlanta Constitution.

THE KANSAS "ASH-HEAP."

Future of the State that Populism Has by the Throat.

New York Press: Kansas remains what one of its despairing sons called it during the canvass—"the ash-heap of human failure," out of which "old hoop-skirts of men" were raked to make candidates for office.

Bad farming tells the whole story. Men who expect to pay for a farm out of one year's crop, men who cannot tell bad land from good, men who will not rotate or diversify crops, men who will not recognize that the same principles upon which the merchant and the manufacturer base their every calculation are as operative in the field of agriculture as of industrial effort, do not constitute the majority of the men of Kansas. But they hold the balance of power in a time of world-wide depression in their pursuits, due to world-wide disregard of the laws of supply and demand on the part of those who follow those pursuits. And, more than that, they are the most persistent and scheming among their fellows. Their own pitiful cases, arrest attention, disarm ridicule and thus find their hearers for their quick propaganda.

What the last state of the State is to be is beyond prophecy. Populism has already lessened its population by 500,000 people, according to Kansas estimate. The men who gave the Populist majority on Tuesday have already wrecked two great mortgage companies by the improvidence either of their choice or cultivation of the lands on which they secured loans. Now that the most dangerous Populist in the state—a man who has conducted a crusade against property from the lower bench—has been elected to the chief justiceship, every dollar of capital that can be withdrawn by outside investors will be withdrawn. And no more dollars will come in. Home capital—far much was acquired in the state's earlier years—will go out.

There are brave and sane people left in Kansas—thousands of them. Whether their calamity they will be able to redeem the commonwealth, or whether it is to become a western Mississippi, a synonym the world over for broken faith is one of the future's problems most interesting of solution. One thing is certain—there will be no more room for compromisers in this child of compromise. The state may continue to produce Peppers, but no more Ingallses.

Baptist Congress.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Nov. 10.—The Baptist congress began its fourteenth annual session at the First Baptist church this afternoon and will close its labors Thursday night. Delegates from all portions of the United States are in attendance and the session promises to be one of the most important in the history of the organization. Many questions of much interest will be discussed by eminent Baptists.

Indians in Utah.

SIR:—Will you please publish in your paper an answer to the following question: When Utah was admitted to the Union were the resident Indians given the right of suffrage or was naturalization necessary? T. H. M.

Answer—All citizens, both male and female are entitled to vote in Utah. Only Indians who are citizens and taxpayers vote, as in other states. Indians on reservations and who have not severed tribal relations (uncivilized Indians) are not citizens.

West Virginia.

For the Intelligencer.
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Home of people brisk and free
As its pretty, rippling rivers
That roll onward to the sea.

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Sun-kissed skies and balmy air,
Verdant vales and beauteous meads;
Grandeur, grandeur everywhere.

"Is the land of golden promise,
With its mountains stern and tall,
With its stores of boundless riches
That repose beneath its soil."

"Mountaineers are always freemen,"
Ever honest, ever loyal,
And from out their sturdy natures
Gleams their pride of native soil.

Think ye of the barren deserts,
Spots less verdant, homes less free;
Be ye ever thankful, grateful,
For this land of liberty.

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